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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION TO CHANGE INVENTORSHIP PURSUANT TO RULE 1.48(b)

It is respectfully requested that one of the originally named inventors be deleted pursuant to 37 CFR 1.48(b). The inventor to be deleted is Hidekazu HATTORI.

The above named inventor is being deleted because the inventor's invention is no longer being claimed in the above-referenced application.

The fee of \$130.00 pursuant to \$1.17(i) is attached hereto.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any <u>deficiency</u> in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith to our **Account No. 14-1140**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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